

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF YORK
YORKTOWN, VIRGINIA

Resolution

At a regular meeting of the York County Board of Supervisors held in the Board Room, York County Finance Building, Yorktown, Virginia, on the ____ day of ____, 2000:

Present

Vote

Walter C. Zaremba, Chairman
James S. Burgett, Vice Chairman
Sheila S. Noll
Donald E. Wiggins
Melanie L. Rapp

On motion of _____, which carried ____, the following resolution was adopted:

A RESOLUTION TO COMMEND AND CONGRATULATE KRYSTAL
PAEZ ON HER SELECTION AS THE 2000 YORK COUNTY OUT-
STANDING YOUTH OF THE YEAR FOR COMPASSION

WHEREAS, the York County Youth Commission and the Board of Supervisors established the Outstanding Youth of the Year Awards Program to recognize the accomplishments and achievements of York County's youth; and

WHEREAS, Krystal Paez was nominated and has been chosen by the Selection Committee to receive the 2000 Outstanding Youth of the Year Award for Compassion; and

WHEREAS, Krystal Paez typifies compassion in its truest sense, and is widely respected for her caring and sensitive nature that constantly demonstrates itself in reaching out to others; and

WHEREAS, Krystal is an exceptional athlete, competing on the Varsity level at Grafton High School in basketball, volleyball, and soccer, the latter in which she has served as captain of the team and been named as an All-District selection; and

WHEREAS, Krystal's accomplishments are demonstrated in other areas as well, such as by her solid "B" academic average, and by her involvement in a wide variety of extra-curricular activities including participation in the Fellowship of Christian Athletes,

the Key Club, the Future Business Leaders of America, Students Against Drunk Driving, the Grafton High Student Government Association where she serves as a class representative, and in her position as Secretary of the Senior Class; and

WHEREAS, Krystal is anything but self-centered, not allowing her considerable talent, busy schedule, and personal goals to cause her to lose sight of others, but rather using her God given gifts and many pursuits as vehicles by which to express her genuine compassion for all; and

WHEREAS, this compassion is widely observed in school where Christi is described by one teacher as being very concerned about others, someone who goes out of her way to include people in conversations, someone who will take the time to draw out others' opinions during group deliberations so that everyone's voice is heard, and as someone who will routinely take on tasks and responsibilities whenever no one else volunteers for them; and

WHEREAS, another teacher relates how Krystal can often be seen helping students in class, never satisfied once she comes to understand new material but going on to help others grasp it as well; and

WHEREAS, this teacher also describes how Krystal's positive attitude is infectious, that others just can't help but being happy around her, and that giving to and caring about others defines the very essence of who she is; and

WHEREAS, Krystal's sensitivity and compassion have also touched the community as demonstrated by her willingness to share her success and abilities with those less fortunate than herself; and

WHEREAS, this quality has been most evident in her participation over the past four summers working with the County's Special Recreation Summer Camp for children with special needs; and

WHEREAS, she lovingly volunteered her time at this camp for two years before she was sixteen, was employed as a teacher's aide the third year, and then returned as a part-time volunteer last year when other commitments would not permit her to work at the camp full-time; and

WHEREAS, the special place that these children have in her heart is reflected in her reason for wanting to come back to volunteer again after having been paid the previous year, which according to Krystal was simply that she wanted to be with these children again, and that being at the camp always felt good knowing that you were able to help "make their days happier ones;" and

WHEREAS, the camp director affirms that Krystal has been a tremendous asset to this program and that it is especially touching to see a teen like Krystal donating her

time on behalf of these children for the “sole purpose of helping to put a smile on a face;” and

WHEREAS, Krystal’s character is summed up by her nominator and soccer coach who asserts that she “is a unique young lady...outstanding in the classroom and on the athletic field, yet concerned about those who will never have the opportunities she and most students enjoy;”

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the York County Board of Supervisors this _____ day of _____, 2000, that Krystal Paez be, and she is hereby, commended and congratulated for being selected as York County’s 2000 Outstanding Youth of the Year for Compassion.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Krystal be extended the best wishes of the Board of Supervisors as she continues to live a life of exemplary love and concern for others, and may she take great encouragement in knowing that our community is a better place because she is with us.